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5 **INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**
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INVENTION: "OPERATING SURFACE FOR CLASS FUNCTIONS IN A
TELEPHONE"

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In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicant requests that citation and examination of the following references be made during the course of examination of the above-referenced application for United States Letters Patent.

I. SUBMITTED REFERENCES

- 20 AL European Patent Application No. 0 419 948
AM European Patent Application No. 0 503 257
AS Andreassen et al., "ADSI: The Dawn of a New Age of Interactive Services", Telesis, Vol. 30, No. 97, December 1, 1993, pp. 35-50.

II. EXPLANATION OF RELEVANCE

- 25 References AL, AM and AS were cited during earlier PCT examination proceedings. Reference AL, which is in German, discloses initiating exchange functions and services by pushbuttons. Reference AM, which is in German, discloses a device for operating unit e.g. telephone. Since References AS is in English, no further commentary concerning its teachings is necessary.

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References AL, AM and AS were also cited for the reasons noted in the Applicant's specification and are discussed above.

None of the above references discloses or suggests an operating surface for class functions in a telephone as disclosed in the present invention.

5 Copies of each of the above references together with Form 1449 are submitted herewith in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.98. Except as provided, the undersigned does not possess English translations of the non-English references.

10 This Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted simultaneously with the filing of the present application, and is therefore in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b) and no fee is necessary.

All claims of the application are patentable over the teachings of the above references, taken singly or in combination. Early consideration of the application is therefore respectfully requested.

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OTHER PRIOR ART (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)		
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